

## PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 9 May 1966 10/0335Z	2. LOCATION Spring Branch, Texas (1 Witness)
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Possible (AIRCRAFT) ✓ <i>PA</i>
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3 - 4 Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observer just happened to look up and noticed long red top and white tail, blinking red lighted object. Observer stated at first he thought it was a A/C, but when it went straight down, it caused him to report it.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	Investigation reveals that the object sighted by observer was in all probability an a/c landing at the Collier Airport located approx 5 miles due N of the sighting area. The owner of the Collier Airport, stated he had knowledge of one A/C landing at approx the time in question. The a/c was a Cessna Skylane belonging to an attorney in Houston. The pilot stated he was on a direct flight from Houston Internation to Collier Airport at approx 2,000 ft. Made a normal rectangular path, landing to the N, but was required to make a rapid descent due to the miscalculation of the base leg. Pilot said his a/c is red and beige and has a rotating beacon on tail. Pilot stated he landed at approx 2030, which is approx 1 hour sooner than the reported sighting and possibly could be explained by an error made
7. COURSE S to N	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

FORM  
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in the reported time by observer.

possible  
A/C

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS (UFO)  
INFORMATION SHEET

1. Answers to the following questions will be obtained from persons calling in regard to the observance of an unidentified flying object (UFO). If person refuses to give answers to 3a, do not complete report.

2. Complete Information Sheet in duplicate and forward to BDO.

3. a. Name MR. [REDACTED] Address [REDACTED]  
Phone [REDACTED] Age 58 Occupation works at Spring Branch
- b. Shape of Object Long-Red-top-White tail c. Color Red + White
- d. Size (compare to dime, quarter, baseball, basketball, or larger item)  
4 inches long 1 1/2 - 2 " wide e. Number of Objects (1) one.
- f. Formation, if more than one \_\_\_\_\_
- g. Unusual features of object Blinking RED light.
- h. Was there a tail, vapor trail, or exhaust? No i. Any Sound No
- j. What called attention to the observer Just looked up
- k. What angle and elevation was the object on first observance  
UNKNOWN - APPROXIMATELY 300 FEET ABOVE GROUND.
- l. What angle and elevation was the object when disappeared  
STRAIGHT DOWN
- m. What was the flight path of object (to north or south, to east or west) and were there any maneuvers of the object  
SOUTH TO NORTH.
- n. How did the object disappear (instantly, to the north, no direction, etc.)  
INSTANTLY.
- o. How long was the object visible (5 min, 1 hour, etc.) 3-4 MINS.
- p. How was the object observed (naked eye, radar, telescope, binoculars, etc.)  
NEKED EYE. 9
- q. Time and date of sighting 2135 HOURS - MAY 1966
- r. Light conditions (night, day, dusk) NIGHT
- s. Geographical position of object (North of Houston, South of Pasadena, directly overhead, etc.) Spring Branch School - 1/2 M. off Hastings Hg.
- t. Weather (clear day, hazy, cloudy, broken clouds, etc.) CLEAR.
- u. Temperatures of day ( $80^{\circ}$ ,  $90^{\circ}$ , etc) 74^{\circ}
- v. OTHER INFORMATION not answered above: Mr. Tolson stated at  
First he thought it was a aeroplane, but when  
IT WENT STRAIGHT DOWN IT CAUSED HIM TO REPORT IT.
5. Thank caller for information, but do not promise that a return call will be made to confirm nor deny the observance of the object.

*clarification attached*

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Investigation reveals that the object sighted by Mr. [REDACTED] was in all probability an aircraft landing at the Collier Airport located approximately 5 miles due north of the Spring Branch area. Mr. [REDACTED], owner of the Collier Airport, stated he had knowledge of one aircraft landing at approximately the time in question. The aircraft was a Cessna Skylane belonging to Mr. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] y, an attorney in Houston. Mr. [REDACTED] stated he was on a direct flight from Houston International to Collier Airport at approximately 2000 feet. He made a normal rectangular path, landing to the north, but was required to make a rapid descent due to the miscalculation of the base leg. Mr. [REDACTED] stated his aircraft is colored red and beige and has a rotating beacon on the tail. Mr. [REDACTED] stated he landed at approximately 2030 hours which is approximately one hour sooner than the reported sighting and possibly could be explained by an error made in the report or by Mr. [REDACTED]. No further investigation is required in my opinion.

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**REPLY TO** BOT-P

16 June 1966

**SUBJECT:** Transmittal of UFO Information

**TO:** Foreign Technology Division  
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio  
ATTN: Major Hector Quintanilla

Attached are reports of UFOs received from residents of the Houston, Texas, area during May 1966 and on 3 June 1966.

FOR THE COMMANDER

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Laurence R. Leach, Jr." followed by a stylized surname.

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